IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	Hans-Wulf Pfeiffer
Application No. 09/929,267	Filing Date: August 14, 2001
Title of Application:	Method Of Increasing The Boundary Layer Strength On Surfaces Of Workpieces Made Of Brittle Hard Materials
Confirmation No. 9985	Art Unit: 1731
Examiner	John M. Hoffmann

MAIL STOP PETITION Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally under 37 CFR 1.137(b)

Dear Sir:

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to respond timely to the Office Action dated January 8, 2007. This petition is being filed immediately upon learning of the unintentional abandonment.

APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS TO REVIVE THIS APPLICATION.

- 1. The petition fee in the amount of \$1,500.00 is enclosed.
- 2. Substitute Appeal Brief is enclosed.
- 3. Petition Fee in the amount of \$1,500 is being submitted via EFS system.

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4. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

Respectfully submitted,

March 23, 2007

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